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SOUTH DAKOTA: Inventory of all chickens in South Dakota's laying flock on December 1, 2006, numbered 3,556,000, down 4 percent from the previous year.

The 2006 egg production, at 865 million eggs, was up 6 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES: The total number of chickens on hand on December 1, 2006 (excluding commercial broilers) was 453 million birds, down slightly from last year.

The 2006 United States egg production totaled 90.9 billion eggs, up 1 percent from 2005.

Chicken Inventory, South Dakota & United States, December 1, 2005 & 2006 ¹

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005	2005	2006	2006 as % of 2005
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Total Layers	3,301	3,200	97	348,203	348,719	100
Total Pullets	413	356	86	96,809	96,087	99
Other Chickens	0	0	--	8,289	8,230	99
All Chickens	3,714	3,556	96	453,301	453,036	100

¹ Excludes commercial broilers.

Layers, Eggs per Layer, and Total Egg Production, South Dakota & United States, December 1, 2002 - 2006

Year ¹	Annual Average Layers		Average Eggs per Layer ²		Total Egg Production	
	South Dakota	United States	South Dakota	United States	South Dakota	United States
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Million Eggs</i>	<i>Million Eggs</i>
2002	2,335	339,293	243	257	568	87,252
2003	2,893	338,393	263	259	761	87,473
2004	3,442	341,956	271	261	933	89,091
2005	3,092	343,792	264	262	816	90,027
2006	3,247	346,078	266	263	865	90,877

¹ December 1, previous year, through November 30, current year. ² Total egg production divided by average number of layers on hand.

NUMBER OF CATTLE FEEDLOTS & MARKETINGS

SOUTH DAKOTA: The total number of feedlots in South Dakota in 2006 totaled 3,168, up 4 lots from 2005 but down 85 lots from 2004. The total number of cattle marketed in South Dakota in 2006 totaled 715,000 head, up 5 percent from 2005.

South Dakota feedlots with a capacity of under 1,000 head totaled 3,000, unchanged from the previous year. Cattle

marketed from those lots totaled 290,000 head, up 10,000 head from the previous year. Feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 to 3,999 head totaled 141, with cattle marketed from those lots totaling 186,000 head. Feedlots with a capacity over 4,000 head totaled 27, with cattle marketed from those facilities totaling 239,000 head, up 26,000 head from the previous year.

Number of Feedlots and Fed Cattle Marketed, South Dakota, 2003-2006

Year	Feedlot Capacity							
	Under 1,000		1,000-3,999		Over 4,000 ¹		Total	
	Lots	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Cattle Marketed	Lots	Cattle Marketed
	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
2003	3,100	270	126	241	26	226	3,252	737
2004	3,100	280	130	192	23	213	3,253	685
2005	3,000	280	138	190	26	213	3,164	683
2006	3,000	290	141	186	27	239	3,168	715

¹ Lots and marketings from larger size groups are combined to avoid disclosing individual operations.



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HONEY PRODUCTION

SOUTH DAKOTA: South Dakota's 2006 honey production totaled 10.58 million pounds, down 39 percent from last year. South Dakota honey production ranked fourth in the nation.

The number of honey producing colonies in the state, at 225,000, was up 5,000 from 2005, with honey production per colony, at 47 pounds, down 32 pounds from 2005. Over the previous five years, the state has averaged 222 colonies producing an average 74 pounds of honey per colony. The price received by producers increased 4 percent in 2006, from \$0.79 per pound to \$0.82 per pound. The value of production in 2006 decreased 37 percent from 2005, to \$8.67 million.

UNITED STATES: Honey production in 2006 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 155 million pounds, down 11 percent from 2005. There were 2.39 million colonies producing honey in 2006, down 1 percent from 2005. Yield per colony averaged 64.7 pounds, down 11 percent from the 72.4 pounds in 2005.

Colonies which produced honey in more than one state were counted in each state where the honey was produced, therefore yields per colony may be understated. Colonies were not included if honey was not harvested. Producer honey stocks were 60.5 million pounds on December 15, 2006, down 3 percent from a year earlier. Stocks held by producers exclude stocks held under the commodity loan program.

Honey Production, 2006¹

State	Number of Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Stocks on Dec. 15 ²	Ave. Price Per Pound ³	Value of Production
	<i>1,000</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Cents</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
South Dakota	225	47	10,575	10,575	82	8,672
North Dakota	350	74	25,900	7,770	90	23,310
Minnesota	125	80	10,000	3,300	89	8,900
Nebraska	47	73	3,431	3,843	104	3,568
United States ⁴	2,392	64.7	154,846	60,528	104.2	161,314

¹ For producers with 5 or more colonies. ² Stocks held by producers. ³ Prices weighted by sales. ⁴ Due to rounding, total colonies multiplied by total yield may not exactly equal production.

ANNUAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER

SOUTH DAKOTA: The total number of **hogs** slaughtered in South Dakota in 2006 totaled 4.36 million head, with the average live weight estimated at 261 pounds. An estimated 14,300 head of **sheep** were slaughtered in the state during 2006, with an average live weight of 124 pounds.

average live weight estimated at 1,275 pounds. An estimated 104.74 million head of **hogs** were slaughtered in the United States, with the average live weight at 269 pounds. The total number of **sheep and lambs** slaughtered in the United States totaled 2.70 million head, with the average live weight estimated at 137 pounds.

UNITED STATES: The total number of **cattle** slaughtered in the United States in 2006 totaled 33.70 million head, with the

Commercial Slaughter, Number of Head and Average Live Weight, South Dakota & United States, 2006¹

Area	Cattle		Hogs		Sheep & Lambs	
	Number	Average Live Weight	Number	Average Live Weight	Number	Average Live Weight
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
South Dakota	(²)	(²)	4,358.1	261	14.3	124
United States	33,698.3	1,275	104,736.6	269	2,698.5	137

¹ Includes slaughter in federally inspected and in other slaughter plants, but excludes animals slaughtered on farms. ² Data not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

Federally Inspected, Commercial, and Farm Red Meat Production, United States, 2005 & 2006

Type	Beef		Veal		Pork ¹		Lamb & Mutton		Total Red Meat ²	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	<i>Million Lbs.</i>
Commercial ²	24,682.5	26,151.8	155.8	146.6	20,685.0	21,053.8	187.1	185.2	45,710.5	47,537.3
Farm	101.2	105.2	8.6	8.8	20.5	20.0	4.3	5.0	134.7	139.0
Total	24,783.7	26,257.0	164.5	155.4	20,705.6	21,073.8	191.4	190.2	45,845.2	47,676.3

¹ Excludes lard and rendered pork fat. ² Based on packers' dressed weight and excludes farm slaughter.

PRICES

Prices Received by Farmers for Commodities Sold

Commodity And Unit	South Dakota		United States
	Feb. 2006 ¹	Feb. 2007 ²	Feb. 2007 ²
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
All WheatBu.	3.81	4.55	4.66
WinterBu.	3.62	4.49	4.62
DurumBu.	(⁴)	(⁴)	4.97
Other SpringBu.	3.98	4.68	4.67
CornBu.	1.81	3.20	3.32
OatsBu.	1.80	2.40	2.19
SoybeansBu.	5.36	6.60	6.83
All BarleyBu.	2.29	(⁴)	3.10
FeedBu.	1.20	(⁴)	3.13
MaltBu.	2.30	(⁴)	3.09
SunflowerCwt.	10.40	14.20	14.60
FlaxseedBu.	5.00	(⁴)	6.25
All HayTon	66.00	82.00	114.00
AlfalfaTon	68.00	85.00	117.00
OtherTon	55.00	71.00	105.00
Cattle ³Cwt.	101.00	91.20	85.80
Steers & heifersCwt.	107.00	96.50	90.70
CowsCwt.	52.10	47.90	46.50
CalvesCwt.	141.00	116.00	115.00
All hogsCwt.	43.00	47.70	46.60
Barrows & giltsCwt.	44.50	49.60	47.40
SowsCwt.	29.90	30.60	31.80
SheepCwt.	43.00	*37.60	*37.10
LambsCwt.	101.00	*107.00	*96.50

¹ Full month, except hay which is mid-month. ² Mid-Month.

³ "Cows" and "Steers & Heifers" combined. ⁴ No price available.

*Previous month price.

CATTLE ON FEED

SOUTH DAKOTA: South Dakota's 1,000+ capacity feedlots reported 230,000 **cattle on feed** for the slaughter market on February 1. The February 1 number is up 20,000 head from last year and up 5,000 head from January.

UNITED STATES: **Cattle and calves on feed** for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.7 million head on February 1, 2007. The inventory was down 3 percent from the previous year and down 2 percent from the previous month.

SLAUGHTER

Commercial Slaughter, Red Meat Production, South Dakota and United States

Kind & Unit	Slaughter		January	
	Jan. 2006	Jan. 2007	2006	2007
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Million Lbs. Liveweight</i>	<i>Million Lbs. Liveweight</i>
SOUTH DAKOTA				
Hogs	420.7	360.6	110.8	96.1
Sheep	0.9	1.4	0.118	0.190
Red Meat ^{1 2}	91.3	81.9	91.3	81.9
UNITED STATES				
Cattle ³	2,642.6	2,798.5	3,383.0	3,596.2
Hogs	8,916.2	9,365.5	2,427.0	2,535.1
Sheep	225.2	216.7	32.2	30.2
Red Meat ^{1 2}	3,899.6	4,092.0	3,899.6	4,092.0

¹ Red Meat reported in million lbs. ² Red Meat is based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter. ³ Cattle slaughter data not published for South Dakota.

COLD STORAGE

Stocks in Cold Storage, United States

Commodity	Jan. 31, 2006	Jan. 31, 2007	Jan. 2007 as % of	
			Jan. 2006	Dec. 2006
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Butter	125,347	155,377	124	143
Cheese, total natural	765,022	845,742	111	103
Eggs, frozen	22,452	17,139	76	104
Fruits, frozen	972,037	1,002,896	103	88
Fruit juices, frozen	1,366,246	1,089,136	80	110
Meat, total red	1,012,368	973,566	96	103
Beef, total frozen	465,882	465,099	100	96
Pork, total frozen	527,677	486,191	92	110
Poultry, total frozen	1,184,813	999,907	84	103
Chicken	921,071	690,869	75	92
Turkey	260,469	304,268	117	139
Vegetables, total frozen	2,048,141	1,957,634	96	88
Potatoes, total frozen	1,076,221	1,035,250	96	108

Cattle on Feed (1,000+ Capacity Feedlots), South Dakota & U.S., February 1, 2006 & 2007

Item	South Dakota			United States		
	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006	2006	2007	2007 as % of 2006
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
On feed, January 1	205	225	110	11,804	11,974	101
Placed on feed during January	38	50	132	2,199	1,690	77
Fed cattle marketed during January	32	42	131	1,810	1,841	102
Other disappearance during January ¹	1	3	300	83	97	117
On feed February 1	210	230	110	12,110	11,726	97

¹ Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

CROP VALUES

SOUTH DAKOTA: The value of all principal crops grown in South Dakota in 2006 totaled \$4.90 billion. This is down 8 percent from the \$5.32 billion value of the 2005 crops.

Corn for grain was valued at \$921.4 million, up 10 percent from 2005. **Soybeans** were valued at \$746.1 million, up 3 percent from 2005. **Alfalfa hay** was valued at \$227.5 million, down 32 percent from 2005. The value of **other spring wheat** decreased 26 percent from the previous year, to \$191.7 million. The value of **winter wheat** decreased 17 percent from the

previous year, to \$186.3 million. Remaining crops and their 2006 values are: other hay, \$83.9 million, sunflower, \$60.9 million; oats, \$10.8 million; proso millet, \$9.4 million; sorghum for grain, \$9.2 million; dry edible beans, \$4.2 million; barley, \$1.3 million; flaxseed, \$1.4 million and durum wheat, \$0.38 million. Crop values are computed by multiplying the marketing year average price by the production.

UNITED STATES: Values for the 2006 major field crops in the United States increased 19.8 percent from 2005.

Value of Crop Production, South Dakota & United States, 2005 & 2006

Crop & Unit	South Dakota				United States			
	Price Per Unit		Value of Production		Price Per Unit		Value of Production	
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006
	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Thousand Dollars</i>	<i>Thousand Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Thousand Dollars</i>	<i>Thousand Dollars</i>
Corn, GrainBu.	1.79	2.95	841,390	921,403	2.00	3.20	22,198,472	33,837,454
Wheat, AllBu.	3.65	4.50	484,694	378,383	3.42	4.25	7,171,441	7,721,028
WinterBu.	3.44	4.50	225,526	186,300	3.32	4.20	4,954,276	5,397,432
DurumBu.	3.60	4.25	936	383	3.46	4.30	353,223	239,944
Other Spring.....Bu.	3.82	4.50	258,232	191,700	3.66	4.45	1,863,942	2,083,652
Sorghum, GrainCwt.	3.36	5.70	8,317	9,193	3.33	5.90	737,038	871,885
OatsBu.	1.58	2.00	20,477	10,830	1.63	1.85	195,150	174,288
Barley.....Bu.	2.11	2.40	4,859	1,344	2.53	2.85	527,633	497,573
SoybeansBu.	5.39	5.70	726,303	746,130	5.66	6.20	17,269,138	19,693,861
FlaxseedBu.	5.67	6.25	2,722	1,425	5.94	5.85	117,070	64,655
Sunflower, AllCwt.	11.40	13.90	97,876	60,872	12.10	14.00	487,654	301,901
OilCwt.	10.80	13.50	85,714	53,690	10.50	13.60	340,584	242,779
Non-oilCwt.	14.60	18.00	12,162	7,182	17.30	16.70	147,070	59,122
Hay, AllTon	62.50	76.00	456,600	311,370	98.20	109.00	12,584,783	13,506,119
AlfalfaTon	65.00	79.00	335,400	227,520	104.00	113.00	7,342,000	7,520,716
Other HayTon	50.50	64.50	121,200	83,850	81.40	95.00	5,242,783	5,985,403
Proso MilletBu.	3.15	3.90	11,954	9,438	3.19	3.85	43,660	39,225
Dry Edible BeansCwt.	20.00	18.70	6,020	4,189	18.50	20.00	516,420	517,621

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